Dear Dr. Stokes,

I am writing you in behalf of all the innocent, defenseless animals who cannot speak for themselves.

I am not an educated person and I must be forthright and admit I do not have understanding of the specifics of all the tests and research being done. What I do know is that I have read reports and letters of information which state that these tests are very cruel, and extremely painful to the animals, as well as many times ineffective or inaccurate.

I cannot see why any living thing should be subjected to such tests. Why can we not just assume a toxic substance is toxic without torturing and killing an animal to prove just how toxic it is?

I ask you to consider the fact that any animal has the capabilities to think, feel fear, feel pain and be terrorized. An animal will know and feel the horror of what you or others do to them no matter what reason is given for doing it. Please, and I ask this with all respect and sincerity, PLEASE do away with ANY AND ALL use of animals in these tests.

I thank you for your time and I appreciate your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely, Sharon Bush